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CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST "CELEBRATING 100 YEARS" 1908-2008

The Chippewa National Forest was the first National Forest established east of the Mississippi River in 1908. Originally known as the Minnesota National Forest, the name was changed in 1928 to honor the original inhabitants. The Forest has a rich history, ranging from prehistoric times to the early logging era and CCC days.

The Forest boundary encompasses about 1.6 million acres, with over 660,000 acres managed by the Chippewa National Forest. The remaining lands are State, County, Native American, and private. The Leech Lake Indian Reservation is also within the Forest boundary.

Water is abundant on the Chippewa, with over 1,300 lakes, 925 miles of streams, and 400,000 acres of wetlands. The Forest's landscape is a reminder of the glaciers which blanketed northern Minnesota some 10,000 years ago.

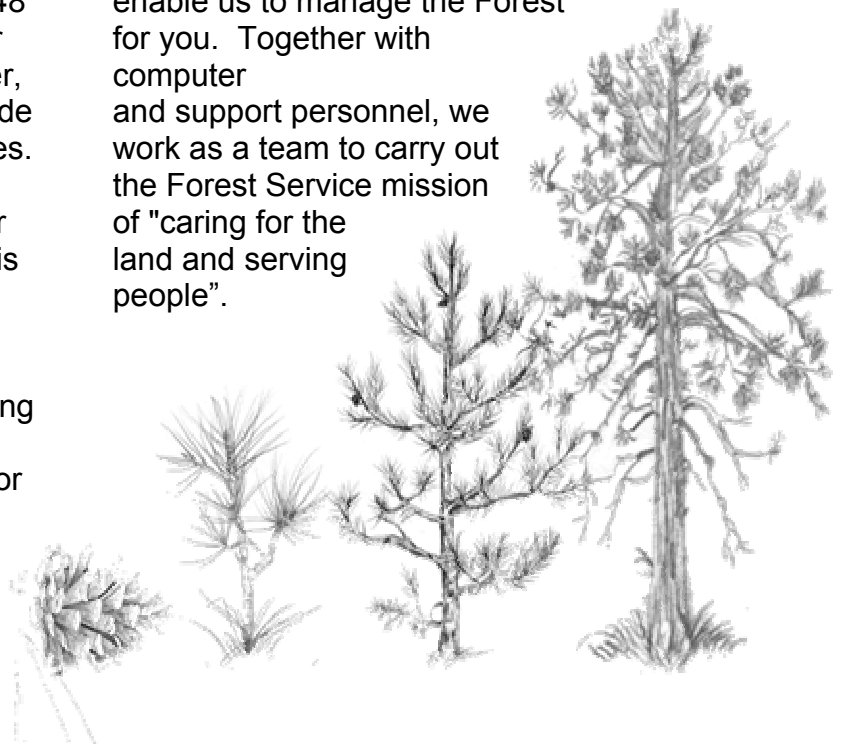
The Forest is also one of the largest breeding population areas of bald eagles in the lower 48 states. Eagles are often viewed soaring over the larger lakes of the area. White-tailed deer, ruffed grouse, and numerous waterfowl provide good wildlife viewing and hunting opportunities. Sensitive species such as the osprey, loon, and great grey owl also make the Forest their home. The gray wolf, a threatened species, is present but rarely seen.

Water oriented recreation such as fishing, canoeing, camping, water-skiing and swimming are popular on the Chippewa. Twenty-three developed campgrounds, located on the major lakes, offer a place to relax or to fish muskie, walleye, northern pike, bass or sunfish. To "rough it," primitive campsites are available into more remote areas. Resorts are also located throughout the Forest.

There are 298 miles of non-motorized trails to view the Chippewa National Forest and 315 miles of motorized trails. Visitors have ample opportunities to hike and view spring wildflowers, bike along a tranquil lake, hunt grouse on a hunter/walking trail or ski through winter woods.

As you visit the Chippewa National Forest you will observe a working forest. Recreation developments, wildlife habitat projects and timber harvest are evident. Timber is harvested from about one percent of the Chippewa National Forest each year. Timber sales provide raw materials for the paper and wood industry and improve wildlife habitat for white-tailed deer, ruffed grouse, and nongame species such as hawks, swallows and sparrows.

Over 150 people are employed on the Chippewa National Forest. Our jobs as specialists in archaeology, wildlife, forestry, soil and water, engineering and recreation enable us to manage the Forest for you. Together with computer and support personnel, we work as a team to carry out the Forest Service mission of "caring for the land and serving people".



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